

PARTIALLY INTEGRATING COMPONENTS OF PROCESSOR-BASED SYSTEMS

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A capability may include a pair of functions, one of  
which is integrated into a platform and the other of which  
is only available through an add-in card. A mating manager  
may determine whether both functions are available and if  
so, coordinate the operations of those functions. As a  
result, platforms may be released with the capability to be  
augmented thereafter by those users who choose to provide  
10 the add-in cards needed to implement the capability. Thus,  
for example, a wireless network capability may be partially  
integrated into platforms, with additional components  
needed to actually implement the wireless capability  
provided through add-in cards.

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